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QUARTERLY MEETING.

At a meeting of the Massachusetts Historical Society, Oct. 28, 1800, — the members present were, Dexter, Eliot, J. Freeman, Holmes, Morse, Pearson, Perkins, Quincy, and Winthrop.

Voted, That the President, Judge Tudor, and Judge Minot be a committee to join a committee of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, for the purpose of petitioning the General Court that they would grant to the two Societies the plates of the maps of the State, after the several branches of the Government have been supplied with the requisite number of copies.

Voted, That Mr. Pearson have leave to take out of the Library Ebeling's map of the District of Maine.

THOMAS L. WINTHROP, Esq., of Boston, was chosen a Resident Member; Hon. THEODORE FOSTER, Esq., of Providence, was chosen a Corresponding Member.*

QUARTERLY MEETING, JANUARY, 1801.

At a meeting of the Massachusetts Historical Society, Jan. 27, 1801, — the members present were, D. Davis, J. Davis, Dexter, Eliot, J. Freeman, Gannett, Harris, Holmes, Kirkland, Mellen, Minot, Morse, Pearson, Prince, J. Sullivan, W. Sullivan, Thacher, Tudor, J. Winthrop, and T. L. Winthrop.

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* Marston Watson, of Boston, who was chosen a member in April, 1800, died in August of the same year. A memoir of him, by Judge Davis, is in Vol. VIII. of the Collections, pp. 80, 81. — EDS.

Voted, That Messrs. J. Davis, Kirkland, and Thacher be a committee to consider what acknowledgment shall be made to the gentlemen who presented the room to the Society.

Voted, That the Treasurer be requested to employ a person to carry to the subscribers the volumes of the Collections, and receive the money.

Nominations: John L. Sullivan, Esq., of Boston, a Resident Member, by Dr. Thacher; Elias Haskett Derby, Esq., of Salem, a Resident Member, by Dr. Eliot; Rev. Zephaniah Willis, of Kingston, a Resident Member, by J. Davis, Esq.; Rev. Thomas Hall, Chaplain of the British Factory at Leghorn, a Corresponding Member, by Mr. Bentley.

The following donations have been received since the meeting of January 28, 1800: —

For the Collections: —

Original Letters of Hume, Robertson, Armstrong, Garrick, and John Gray, to Dr. Smollet. Presented by the Rev. Thomas Hall, Chaplain of the English Factory at Leghorn.*

History of Cambridge, by Rev. Abiel Holmes.†

Imports and Exports of the Island of Newfoundland for the year 1799. Presented by Rev. James Freeman.†

Several volumes of Manuscripts, containing Letters from Committees of Correspondence, of Donations, &c., from 1763 to 1775. Presented by John Avery, Esq.‡

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* The Rev. Thomas Hall was an American, born in Philadelphia. He continued an earnest friend of the Society, and made valuable contributions to its Cabinet and Library. At one time he made a gift of coins and medals. A number of his letters to Dr. Eliot, the Corresponding Secretary, written from Leghorn, are on the files of the Society. — EDS.

† Printed in Vol. VII. of the Collections. — EDS.

‡ In a letter accompanying these volumes, under date of "Boston, Oct. 24, 1800," addressed to the Hon. George Richards Minot, Esq., Mr. Avery writes:

"The two volumes which I have the honor to present to the Historical Society will give you some idea of the spirit that actuated the inhabitants, not only of the town of Boston, but the whole American continent at that time. One of which volumes contains letters directed to the Committee of Donations appointed by the town of Boston to distribute them to such tradesmen and others of said town suffering under the unprecedented and cruel edict of the British Parliament for shutting up the harbor of Boston. The other volume

For the Library: —

History of Epidemic and Pestilential Diseases. Two volumes. By Noah Webster. From the author.

Fiddes's Life of Cardinal Wolsey, folio, London, 1726, and Courier de l'Europe, 4to, 1777, from Mr. Edward Davis.

Bishop Fotherby's Atheomastix, folio, London, 1622, from Mr. John Hay, of Charlestown.

Dutch Bible, from Mr. John Bright.

Washington: an Historical Discourse, by George Richards; and the Columbian Centinel, for 1800. From Major Benjamin Russell.

The Massachusetts Mercury, for 1800, from Messrs. Young & Minns.

Independent Chronicle, for 1800, from Messrs. Adams & Rhodes.

Journal de Paris, 1798, and Chronique Universelle, 1798, from Mr. William Lee.

Discourse on the Character of General Washington, by Enos Hitchcock, D.D. From the author.

Mr. Holmes's Century Sermon, President Willard's Address, and Dr. Tappan's Discourse on the Death of General Washington. From Rev. Abiel Holmes.

The Gazette of the United States, for 1789, 1790, 1791, 1792, and 1793, from Joseph Barrell, Esq.

Browne's Almanack, London, 1628, from Mr. Thomas Bartlett.

A large number of Boston Newspapers, from Deacon Joseph Nye.

Dr. Thacher's Century Sermon, from the author.

Mr. Emerson's Discourse before the Roxbury Charitable Society, from the author.

Dr. Lathrop's Century Sermon, from the author.

East Apthorp's Sermon at the Opening of the Church in Cambridge, 1761, from Mr. Joseph Coolidge.

Bellamy's True Religion Delineated, 8vo, Boston, 1750; Thomas Paine's Ordination Sermon, Weymouth, 1719; John Brown's Sermon, Newbury, Newton, 1728; Account of the French Prophets, 1742; Gilbert Tennent, Harmonious, 1743; David McGregore's Sermon, Boston, 1747; Porter's Reply to Briant's Remarks, 1751; Niles's Vindication of Gospel Doctrines, in answer to Briant, 1752; and Mellen's Sermon at the Ordination of L. W. From Rev. Levi Whitman.

Andrews's Eulogy on General Washington; Whitney's Sermon at the Ordination of his Son at Quincy; Levi Whitman's Sermon on the Death of Captain Chipman; Register of the Times, seven volumes, 8vo, London, 1794 and 1795; Wayne's Federal Gazette; and Thomas Thacher's Two Discourses, delivered at Peterborough. From Rev. James Freeman.

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contains their acknowledgments to their brethren of these States for the liberal donations received from them. You will also permit me to present the said Society copies of certain letters to and from committees of correspondence as early as the year 1763.

"Should these volumes meet with the acceptance of the much respected Historical Society, it will afford me the highest gratification." See 4 Collections, IV. 1-278. — Eds.

Historia de Philippines, por Pedro Velarde. From Rev. William Bentley.

Naval Chronology, containing the most early Voyages to the coasts of Africa and America, from Mr. Charles Willis.

The Monthly Magazine and Review, New York, for 1799 and 1800, from Rev. Samuel Miller, of New York.

The tenth, eleventh, and twelfth numbers of Olivarius's Le Nord Littéraire, from Professor Ebeling.

Perry's Election Sermon, Hartford, 1775; Smalley's Election Sermon, 1800; Welles's Sermon on the Death of Noah Hobart; and William Pitt Beers's Oration on Washington. From Rev. Andrew Eliot.

Strong's Sermon on the Death of Governor Huntington; Backus's Sermon on the Death of Governor Wolcott; General Huntington's Eulogium on Washington; and seven other Orations and Sermons, pronounced after the death of that illustrious man. From Rev. David McClure.

Ramsay's Oration on Independence, July 4, 1778, the first ever delivered on that occasion; Ramsay's Oration on the Death of Washington; and Pringle's Oration, South Carolina, July 4, 1800. From Dr. Ramsay.

An English Translation of Sarate's History of Peru; a French Translation of Garcilasso de la Vega's History of Peru; and Novus Orbis Regionum, folio edition. From Rev. Dr. Erskine, of Edinburgh.

Purchas's Pilgrims. Vol. II.

Hamilton's Letters, from Mr. Elisha Sigourney.

Sundry Newspapers, for 1793 and 1794, from Mr. John Lane.

America Painted to the Life, by Ferdinando Gorges; Wonder-Working Providence; and Life of Increase Mather, by Cotton Mather. From Master Samuel Snelling.

Spectator, for 1800, from E. Belden & Co., New York.

Massachusetts Spy, for 1800, from Isaiah Thomas, Esq.

A number of Books and Pamphlets, from Mrs. Margaret Winslow.

History of the War, from 1749 to 1763; Results of Three Synods in Massachusetts; and Hubbard's History of Indian Wars.

Laws of the United States, Vol. IV., and Laws of the United States, from Dec. 4, 1799, to April 16, 1800, from the Legislature of Massachusetts.

For the Cabinet: —

Heads of Indian Arrows, from David Nye, Esq. of Falmouth.

Dress of an Esquimau Woman, a curious Sword, and a piece of Lava from Sandwich Bay, from Joseph Tucker, Esq.

Two Lady's Work Bags, a Fishing Net, three Fish Hooks, and two Lip Pieces, from the north-west coast of America; an Ornament for the Head and two pieces of Cloth, from the Sandwich Islands; a pair of Kamtschatka Boots, three Bills of the Albatross; Skin of young Penguin; three Sea Shells; and several other articles. Wings and Feet of the following Birds: Sea Eagle, *Falco Ossifragus*, Linnæus; Hern or Heron, *Ardea Major*, Linn.; Sea Loon, *Colymbus Immer*, Linn.; G. Diver; Coot Duck, *Anas Nigra;* Black Duck; Snipe, *Scolopax;* Plover, *Charadrius Pluvialis*, Linn.; Sand Bird; Little Sandpiper; Beetle-head, *Charadrius Calidris*, Linn.; Sanderling; Little Auk, called Ice Bird, *Alca Alle*, Linn.; Sheldrake, *Anas Tadorna*, Linn.; Smew, *Mergus Albellus*, called vulgarly Lord Lough Diver; Great Spot-

ted Woodpecker, *Pica Major;* Sea Pigeon; Pippet Grebe, *Colymbus Urinator* of Pennant and Linnæus; The Old Wife, male and female, two preserved entire; Sea Duck; Black Guillemot; Greenland Dove, or Sea Turtle, *Colymbus Grylle;* Gray Owl, *Strix Ulula,* Linn. The following Birds preserved entire: Greatest Speckled Diver, of the genus *Colymbus;* Golden-eye Duck, *Anas Clangula,* Linn.; Gray Duck; Green-headed Duck; Spotted Duck; White Gull; Gray Gull; Red-headed Goose; Widgeon; Kingfisher; Crested Titmouse; Fresh-water Loon; The Alca, an East India bird; the Old Wife, taken abroad. Also, Jaws of the Toad Fish; Crystal from the interior country; Indian Blow-gun and Arrows; Oil Dish and Fish Hook from the Sandwich Islands; both the Horns of the Rhinoceros; and the Portrait, by Smibert, of Mary Davis, who died at Newton, 1752, *æt.* 116. From Rev. William Bentley.

An European Scalp, received from an Indian on the north-west coast of America, from Captain T. Roan.

The oldest Map of New England cut, [pasted] on a wooden plate; from Isaac Mansfield, Esq.*

Indian Hatchet, made of stone.

Picture of Ben. Jonson, from Mr. John Duggan.

Six Prints of the Ruins of Pompeii, three pieces of Lava, Inkstand made of lava, a specimen of the ancient Plastering and Painting in Fresco, and pieces of Marble which formed the mosaic work in the flooring of the Temple of Isis. From Captain Gamaliel Bradford.

A Stake taken out of a Pit sunk by the British Troops on Boston Neck, 1775, and a piece of the Keel of a Ship, pierced by Worms. From Colonel Josiah Waters.

ANNUAL MEETING, April, 1801.

At a meeting of the Massachusetts Historical Society, April 28, 1801, — the members present were, Bartlett, A. Bradford, J. Davis, Dexter, Eliot, J. Freeman, Kirkland, Morse, Quincy, Spooner, Thacher, J. Winthrop.

The members proceeded to the annual election of officers: —

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* The title to this map is, "A Map of New England, being the first that ever was here cut," &c. It is a woodcut, and was engraved for Hubbard's "Narrative of the Troubles with the Indians," &c. Boston, 1677. — Eds.

JAMES SULLIVAN	was chosen	PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM TUDOR	„	TREASURER.
JOHN ELIOT	„	CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.
JAMES FREEMAN	„	RECORDING SECRETARY.
JOHN T. KIRKLAND	„	LIBRARIAN.
SAMUEL TURELL	„	CABINET-KEEPER.
JAMES WINTHROP, PETER THACHER, REDFORD WEBSTER, JOHN DAVIS, JOSIAH QUINCY	were chosen .	STANDING COMMITTEE.

Voted, That the Committee appointed to consider what acknowledgment shall be made to the gentlemen who presented the room be allowed further time.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN, Esq., of Boston, ELIAS HASKETT DERBY, Esq.,* of Salem, and Rev. ZEPHANIAH WILLIS, of Kingston, were chosen Resident Members. Rev. THOMAS HALL was chosen a Corresponding Member.

Nominations: Rev. William Emerson, of Boston, a Resident Member, by Dr. Dexter; Rev. John Snelling Popkin, of Boston, a Resident Member, by Dr. Morse.†

SPECIAL MEETING.

At a special meeting of the Massachusetts Historical Society, July 13,‡ 1801, — the members present were, J. Davis, Eliot, J. Freeman, Kirkland, Lothrop, Morse, Quincy, J. Sullivan, and Turell.

* Mr. Derby accepted, but his membership ceased the same year. — EDS.

† Thomas Brattle, chosen a member in April, 1797, died Feb. 7, 1801. A notice of him, by John Mellen, Jr., is in Vol. VIII. of the Collections, pp. 82–85. — EDS.

‡ This special meeting appears to have taken the place of the regular quarterly meeting, which, according to the vote on p. 99, should have been held on the 16th, the day after Commencement. — EDS.

The following Resolve of the General Court was read: —

"*Commonwealth of Massachusetts.*

"IN SENATE, June 19, 1801.

"*Resolved*, That the copper plates engraved for the map of this Commonwealth be, and hereby are, granted to the Academy of Arts and Sciences and to the Massachusetts Historical Society, together with the copyright of printing, publishing, and vending the same, at the expense of said Societies, for the term of fourteen years from the passing of this Resolve, the profits arising therefrom to be equally divided between said Societies, and applied by them for the benefit of their respective institutions, as they shall judge best for the advancement of science and the reputation of their country. Provided, that the said Societies shall order first to be struck off from the plates aforesaid four hundred sets of maps for the use of the Commonwealth, to be disposed of as the Legislature shall hereafter direct; and, after having the same pasted on cloth of the same kind with those before provided for the use of this State, shall deliver the same to the Secretary of this Commonwealth, on or before the first day of January next. And as soon as said four hundred sets of maps shall be completed and delivered as aforesaid, the Governor, with the advice of the Council, is hereby authorized to draw his warrant on the Treasurer for payment of the same, at the first cost of the paper, printing, cloth, and pasting, as aforesaid.*

"Concurred by the House of Representatives, and approved by the Governor, June 19, 1801."

Thereupon,

Voted, That the donation of the General Court of the plates for printing a map of the Commonwealth be accepted, and that Dr. Morse, Judge Tudor, and Mr. Kirkland be a committee to unite with any committee appointed by the Academy of Arts and Sciences to pursue and fulfil the conditions of the Resolve in a manner which they shall find to be most for the interest of the Societies, either by selling the plates, or printing a number of copies.

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* The following is the title of the map referred to: "Map of Massachusetts Proper, compiled from Actual Surveys made by Order of the General Court, and under the inspection of Agents of their appointment. By Osgood Carleton. Engraved by Joseph Callender and Samuel Hill. Boston, 1801."

Rev. WILLIAM EMERSON and Rev. JOHN SNELLING POPKIN, of Boston, were chosen Resident Members.

Nominations: Charles Bulfinch, Esq., of Boston, a Resident Member, by the President; Rev. Timothy Alden, of Portsmouth, a Corresponding Member, by Dr. Eliot.

SPECIAL MEETING.

At a special meeting of the Massachusetts Historical Society, Aug. 20, 1801, — the members present were, Dexter, Eliot, Emerson, Morse, Prince, J. Sullivan, Thacher, Tudor, and T. L. Winthrop.*

Voted, That the thanks of the Society be given to the Hon. Judge Sullivan for his generous donation of the copyright of a book, entitled "The History of Land Titles in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts."

Voted, That the thanks of the Society be presented to Mr. Thomas Wallcut for his donation of the sum due to him for copying the said book.†

Voted, That the President, the Treasurer, Judge Minot, the Corresponding Secretary, and Dr. Morse be a committee to receive all the volumes of the Collections from the printer, and to convey them to the Society's room; also, to take an account of them, with a regular statement of the disposal of the same.

Voted, That the Committee appointed to consider in what manner the plates for the map of the Commonwealth shall be disposed of be desired to meet on that business; that they be directed not to sell them, but to conform to a vote of the Academy of Arts and Sciences, so far as they think will serve the mutual interest of the Societies.

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* The second initial letter in Mr. T. L. Winthrop's name is often omitted in the record. We have supplied it. — EDS.

† Judge Sullivan wrote that the value of "Brother Wallcut's donation" was forty dollars. — EDS.

SPECIAL MEETING.

At a special meeting of the Massachusetts Historical Society, Sept. 25, 1801, — the members present were, J. Davis, Eliot, J. Freeman, Kirkland, Minot, Spooner, Tudor, and T. L. Winthrop.

Voted, That the publication of the eighth volume of the Collections be suspended till further order of the Society.

Voted, That Judge Tudor, Judge Minot, and Judge Davis be a committee to confer with Judge Sullivan and with the printers, Thomas & Andrews, respecting the History of Land Titles, and to devise and propose such measures respecting the disposal of it as they shall deem expedient, and to report at the adjournment.

Adjourned to Thursday, October 1, at three P.M.

ADJOURNED MEETING.

At a special meeting * of the Massachusetts Historical Society, Oct. 1, 1801, — the members present were, J. Davis, Eliot, Emerson, J. Freeman, Holmes, Quincy, James Sullivan, Tudor, Turell, Webster, and J. Winthrop.

Rev. TIMOTHY ALDEN was chosen a Corresponding Member. CHARLES BULFINCH, Esq., was chosen a Resident Member.

Voted, That in consideration of the generous donation of the Library room to the Society by Mr. Bulfinch, he be exempted from

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* This can hardly be called a "special meeting" of the Society. It was an adjourned meeting, and it appears to have taken the place of the quarterly meeting in that month, which, by the By-Laws, was appointed to be held on the last Tuesday. — EDS.

paying eight dollars on his admission, and also from the annual payments of two dollars.

Voted, That Judge Davis, Mr. Quincy, Judge Minot, with the Treasurer, be a committee to superintend and direct the sale of the impression of Sullivan's History of Land Titles, the property of the Society; that they be empowered to make a liberal allowance, according to their discretion, in the sale of any number of copies to booksellers and others; and to report at the next meeting such measures as they shall consider it most advisable for the Society to adopt relative to said impression.*

Voted, That Dr. Morse, Judge Tudor, and Mr. Kirkland be a committee to join with a committee of the Academy to inspect the maps of the State as they are published.

QUARTERLY MEETING, JANUARY, 1802.

At a meeting of the Massachusetts Historical Society, Jan. 26, 1802, — the members present were, G. Bradford, J. Davis, Eliot, Emerson, Fiske, J. Freeman, Holmes, Kirkland, Morse, Popkin, Quincy, Spooner, James Sullivan, W. Sullivan, Tudor, and Webster.

Voted, That a set of the Collections be transmitted by the Corresponding Secretary to the American Philosophical Society at Philadelphia.

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* The contract between James Sullivan and Thomas & Andrews, relating to the printing of the "History of Land Titles," reciting that the copyright is in the Society, is on file. Judge Sullivan very naturally felt that the Society would profit by their ownership of this book. A few years before, he had sold the copyright of his "History of the District of Maine," and generously given the proceeds to the Society. When the bills for printing the "History of Land Titles" came in, the Society was unable to meet them, as the sales were inadequate for the purpose; and money had to be raised by the indorsement of a member. Letters on file show that the matter occasioned considerable anxiety, and the question arose as to the Society's responsibility in case of ultimate loss. How the matter resulted it does not appear, as the books of the Treasurer are burned. — EDS.